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The Honorable Peter Hoekstra  
Chairman  
Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Mr. Chairman:

We are advised that the Committee plans to consider H. Res. 418, which is one of a series of Resolutions of Inquiry (House Resolutions 417-420) that, if agreed to, would direct the President, the Secretary of State, the Attorney General, and the Secretary of Defense to transmit to the House of Representatives all documents in their possession relating to the disclosure of the alleged identity of Ms. Valerie Plame as an employee of the Central Intelligence Agency.

As you know, United States Attorney Patrick Fitzgerald has been appointed as Special Counsel to investigate this matter and his investigation is ongoing. Mr. Fitzgerald has advised that production at this time of the documents responsive to H. Res. 418 and the other Resolutions, and any attendant hearings, would interfere with his investigation. Accordingly, we request that the Committee report adversely H. Res. 418.

Thank you for your consideration of our views. Please do not hesitate to contact this Office if you would like additional information about this or any other matter.

Sincerely,

William E. Moschella  
Assistant Attorney General

cc: The Honorable Jane Harman  
Ranking Minority Member